

Image

04-07-04

1651



Attorney Docket No.: 5175-126

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inventor: Phelps et al.

Confirmation No.: 9792

Serial No.: 10/076,490

Examiner: Lankford Jr., Leon B.

Filed: February 15, 2002

Group Art Unit: 1651

For: **METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR SELECTIVELY PROCESSING EGGS
HAVING IDENTIFIED CHARACTERISTICS**

Date: April 6, 2004

MAIL STOP NON-FEE AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an AMENDMENT in the above-identified patent application.

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR §1.27.☒ No additional fee is required.☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below:

(COL. 1)		(COL. 2)	(COL. 3)	SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Present Extra	RATE	ADDIT. FEE	OR RATE	ADDIT. FEE
Total	25	180	= 0	x 09=	\$	x 18=	\$
Indep	7	18	= 0	x 43=	\$	x 86=	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+145=	\$	+290=	\$
				Total Add. Fee \$		OR Total	\$

* If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.

** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space.

*** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, write "3" in this space. The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found from the equivalent box in Col. 1 of a prior Amendment or the number of claims originally filed.

- ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 50-0220 in the amount of \$.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$ is enclosed.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0220.
- ☒ Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,



Needham James Boddie, II
Registration No. 40,519

Myers Bigel Sibley & Sajovec, P.A.
Post Office Box 37428
Raleigh, NC 27627
Telephone (919) 854-1400
Facsimile (919) 854-1401
USPTO Customer No. 20792

CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAILING

Express Mail Label No.: EV381442199US
Date of Deposit: April 6, 2004

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR § 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to: Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450


Ban Younan



Attorney's Docket No. 5175-126

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Phelps et al.

Confirmation No.: 9792

Serial No.: 10/076,490

Group Art Unit: 1651

Filed: February 15, 2002

Examiner: Lankford Jr., Leon B.

For: **METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR SELECTIVELY PROCESSING EGGS
HAVING IDENTIFIED CHARACTERISTICS**

Date: April 6, 2004

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF JANUARY 13, 2004

Sir:

Applicants provide the present Amendment to address the issues raised in the Office Action (the "Action") mailed January 13, 2004. Applicants provide the present Amendment pursuant to the rules stated in revised 37 C.F.R. 1.121 that became effective on July 30, 2003.